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## THEORISTS AND THE RUSSO-JAPANESE WAR.

Up to the present time the theorists on the Russo-Japanese war have been sadly at fault, and the adjustment of their theories by new ones, is not resulting in doing them any good.

The early arguments and contentions that Russia was so thoroughly prepared on land and sea, that Japan could not cross her troops to the main land, because of the Russian fleets, and if once on the mainland, the superior force that Russia could muster would quickly overpower the Japs, have all been thoroughly exploded, for the Japs crossed and occupied Korea, and instead of being forced back and overwhelmed, have successfully won position after position, battle after battle, until the Russians have hardly a foot hold outside of their own territory.

Another theory, the superiority of the Russians in battle, and in their strategy of war, has got been in any degree confirmed by facts.

When the theorists after losing on their first contentions, have fallen upon the theory, that Russian success is finally to be assured, because Russia's immense resources will wear out the lesser power, and financial credit of Japan. The five hundred million gold reserve of Russia is frequently brought forward as an unanswerable argument, that Russia can stand the loss of her fleets at Port Arthur and Vladivostok, besides the destruction of her army near and around Port Arthur, and even lose Port Arthur, yet with her big gold reserve outlast in resources, Japan, which because of her small territory and limited resources, cannot stand the strain of a continued war, such as Russia proposes to keep going.

Theoretically, like the former theories, this ought to be all satisfactory, and Japan should make speedy terms, before being swept out of Corea and into the sea.

But is this gold reserve an actuality, or is it another bluff like Russia's superior army and navy which only had to be sent against an enemy, to force the foe to a quick capitulation? The real situation is that the actual facts and conditions, as to Japan and its people its capacity and force in modern war fare have completely upset even the experts, not to mention the theorists, and it is not far away guess to say that Japan is going to continue as she has begun and destroy the preconceived notions of those who have figured out her fate months ago, and who are still groping about in the views of spent calculations.


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## YESTERDAY'S MARKETS.

Cotton, Grain, Provisions and Stocks Range in Price. Receipts and Shipments.

The following are the market quotations, received by private wire from J Walter Lebaron & Co., to Burrus & Co. New Bern, N. C.

New York, Aug. 19.

| Cotton:— | Open. | High. | Low. | Close |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| Sept..... | 9.83 | 9.87 | 9.81 | 9.86 |
| Oct..... | 9.74 | 9.78 | 9.67 | 9.69 |
| Dec..... | 9.71 | 9.71 | 9.64 | 9.66 |
| Jan..... | 9.73 | 9.73 | 9.66 | 9.66 |

Chicago, Aug. 19.

| Chicago Grain. | Open. | Close |
|---|---|---|
| Sept Wheat | 104 | 101¼ |
| Sept Corn | 54 | 53½ |
| Sept Oats | 34¼ | 33¼ |
| Sept Ribs | 780 | 765 |
| Sept Pork | 1180 | 1160 |
| Sept Lard | 670 | 675 |

New York, Aug. 19.

| Stocks:— | Open. | Close |
|---|---|---|
| Amn. Sugar..... | 133¼ | 133¼ |
| Amn. Copper..... | 53¾ | 53¾ |
| Atchison..... | 70¼ | 70¼ |
| Southern Ry..... | 26¼ | 26¼ |
| Southern Ry pf.. | 91 | 91½ |
| U. S. Steel..... | 12 | 12 |
| U. S. Steel pf... | 58¾ | 58¾ |
| Penn. R R..... | 121¼ | 121¼ |
| Erie..... | 35¼ | 35¼ |
| Louisville&Nash | 118¾ | 118¾ |
| St. Paul..... | 149½ | 149 |
| N.Y Centre..... | 119½ | 120 |
| N. & W..... | 63¾ | 63 |
| Va. C Chemical. | 30½ | 28¾ |

### Burrus & Co's Cotton Letter.

New Bern, Aug 19th

The cotton market opened steady this morning on support by Phila, house and pit traders, with some short covering. News was not of the kind to influence sentiment much either way. The weather news was conflicting. Georgia reported that the rains in the last two days had resulted in slight damage to the crop, but clear weather would improve things materially. Philadelphia interests were buyers of January and local houses took some September and October. Later, however, the pit sold on the good crop news. Some sections of Texas reported damage by boll weevil but so far, the damage had not gone far enough to do the plant much injury and the news did not have any applicable effect upon sentiment. The government weekly report next week is expected to be favorable and will show the crop to be in excellent condition and making rapid progress. The strike situation in New England still remains unsettled and with no prospects of an early adjustment in sight. The strike has already done great damage to the cotton industry and with no immediate prospects of a settlement in sight, and with the crop progressing satisfactory. We are inclined to favor the short side of cotton and advise sales at current prices.

## HUMOR OF THE HOUR

### A Great Occasion.

Von Blumer came into his wife's room rubbing his hands, a glow of satisfaction on his usually calm face.

"Let's celebrate," he repeated. "Come, my dear, put on your glad rags and we'll go out and have a real good time. First a nice little dinner at the restaurant you like so well, then an evening at the theater. How long will it take you to get ready?"

Mrs. Von Blumer gazed at her husband in surprise.

"Can we afford it?" she asked, doubtfully.

"Afford it! Why, of course, we can. Do you suppose I would make the suggestion if we couldn't afford it?"

"But it was only yesterday you were pleading poverty. What has happened?"

"Happened!" exclaimed Von Blumer. "Why, I'll tell you what has happened. You know that old, last summer's suit of mine? Well, just as I was going through the pockets I'll be hanged if I didn't find a dollar bill!"—Collier's.

### Prudent Charles.

"Does your husband take as much interest in horse racing as he used to?"

"Yes," answered young Mrs. Torkins. "Charles can always tell the day before a race which horse ought to win and the day after why he didn't."

### Another Reason.

"Squiggles has given up smoking."

"I knew his wife would make him stop."

"No, it wasn't that. He's working in a powder mill."—Cleveland Plain Dealer.

### Costly Engagements.

Mollie—He must have spent a pile of money on his wedding.

Cissie—Yes, but see what a lot he must have spent during the engagement.—Yonkers Statesman.


### THE SECRET OF SUCCESS.

Forty million bottles of August Flower sold in the United States alone since its introduction! And the demand for it is still growing. Isn't that a fair showing of success? Don't it prove that August Flower has had satisfying element in the cure of indigestion and dyspepsia—the two greatest enemies of health and happiness? Does it not afford the evidence that August Flower is a sure specific for all stomach and intestinal disorders?—that it has proved itself the best of all liver regulators? August Flower has a unbroken record of over thirty-five years to curing the ailing millions of those distressing complaints, namely that is "something wrong in the stomach every day, at times and always, at the time of taking this remedy and Dr. Kay Lyon's Pepsin Tablets. For sale by all druggists. F S Duffy.


## CORSETS FOR THE NOSE.

Beauty Starts Back to Nature in London Society.

The "stunt" set in society and their followers in humble life will do almost anything to "improve" their personal appearance. Cutting dimples has been quite the rage for some time past, and the writer knows that "dimple cutters" in the west and have been doing quite a big business during the present season. Ladies who never dreamed of having dimples before have now got what they think admirable specimens upon the face and neck. What will happen when dimples go out of fashion it is difficult to surmise, but no doubt the "beauty doctors" will be able to make the necessary repairs.

Our contemporary, the Medical Press and Circular, in its current issue deals with another of the latest novelties in this direction. It emanates, like other things of the kind, from Paris and is a "special corset for the nose." It is readily conceivable that prolonged and severe pressure for the correction of a supposed malformation may be most injurious under certain circumstances, while it is questionable if mere alteration in position would have the slightest effect in removing a "bottle" nose or in overcoming a chronic rosacea. To the practice our medical contemporary applies this sledgehammer denunciation:

"To lower the art of surgery to the level of mere facial beautification may be sometimes undignified, but to tamper with the anatomical outlines of the human countenance is one of the most insidious forms of quackery when undertaken by unskilled hands and for the sake of pampering a foolish vanity."—London News.

### Tea Retaliation.

Mr. Donald N. Reid's protest against tea drinking in Ireland and elsewhere is of more importance than might appear to the uninitiated. Tea, like any other nerve stimulant, is good for men and women if taken in moderation and when properly made. As drunk in Ireland and in some of our colonies, notably Australia, it is as harmful as undiluted alcohol. I have heard of many cases of tea intoxication in the back blocks of Australia. The colonist does not make fresh tea every time he wants a cup, and he wants many per diem, but puts new leaves on the old, and in the course of a few days the concoction is one of tannin. He ruins both his digestion and his nerves.—London Saturday Review.

### Turkish Salaries.

A Turkish ministerial portfolio is a sort of gold mine to the holder. It is not the vizier, however, who holds the richest claim, though his salary of £13,200 a year, which is also that of the war minister, looks princely to western eyes. The "plum" of Turkish offices is the admiralty, which is worth £10,800 a year, and the present holder is stated to have amassed a fortune of £2,400,000. The minister of foreign affairs has £8,800, and finance comes next with a thousand lower. The lowest salary is that of the minister of mines, though it is rather higher than that of the premier of England. The sum is £5,500.—London Globe.

### Uncle Sam's Wealth.

With 7 per cent of the world's land area and 5 per cent of its population the United States has 25 per cent of the world's wealth. The value of the United States property, real and personal, in 1900 was $94,000,000,000 as compared with $80,000,000,000 for Great Britain and Ireland, $40,000,000,000 for France, $45,000,000,000 for Germany, $32,000,000,000 for Russia, $22,000,000,000 for Austria-Hungary, $15,000,000,000 for Italy and $12,000,000,000 for Spain. Moreover, the United States' lead is increasing faster than is her preponderance over them all (except Russia and China) in population.

### Austria's Kaiser Hungary's King.

The Austrian kaiser has many an odd custom to comply with in his capacity as dual monarch of Austria-Hungary. He is emperor of the former, but king of the latter. Hungarian papers, people and politicians never breathe the word "kaiser" in referring to Francis Joseph, but only the Hungarian "kiraly" or king.

When the sovereign leaves Vienna to visit Budapest, he must cease to be Austrian and become Hungarian. His uniform will be Hungarian, also his speech, and the officials who accompany him will be Hungarians, but never Austrians.

### Pleasant Lessons.

J. B. Brodie, in charge of an English school, has inaugurated a system of "pleasant lessons" to which his pupils have taken very readily. A lesson on the woolen industry is followed by a journey to a farm to witness the process of sheep shearing; the mystery of brick and tile making is made clear by a visit to the works where the pupils can see everything from the digging of the clay. The dead facts of wars are made to live again by excursions to fields of battle and descriptions of what took place upon them. Excellent results follow these practical lessons, Mr. Brodie says.

### The Jefferson Bible.

After being shipped to New York to be photolithographed there, much to the trepidation of the officials in charge of it, the famous "Jefferson Bible" is back again at the National museum as safe and sound as ever. This book, compiled by Thomas Jefferson from extracts, in almost dropping to pieces. The compiler omitted everything of a supernatural nature and confined his clippings to the pure teachings of Jesus.


### A SUMMER Cold.

A summer cold is not only annoying but if not relieved Pneumonia will be the probable result by Fall. One Minute Cough Cure clears the phlegm, draws out the inflammation, heals, soothes and strengthens the lungs and membranes. One Minute Cough Cure is the ideal remedy for children. It is pleasant to the taste and perfectly harmless. A sample bottle for Croup, coughs and Cold, free by F. S. Duffy, druggist.


## FACTS IN FEW LINES

A woman graduate of Cornell is raising a Texas tarantula.

Asphalt from the valley of Mexico floats down into the Dead sea.

Eighty per cent of Portuguese peasants can neither read nor write.

Naturalists now make birds take their own photographs by means of trap cameras.

Japan has a Young Men's Buddhist association, modeled on the Young Men's Christian association.

Many thousands of dollars have been spent in New England in efforts to stop the ravages of the gypsy moth.

We import 400,000 pounds of prunes and we export 66,000,000 pounds in a year. Frenchmen buy our prunes.

Miss Blanche Minton of New York packs trunks for guests at hotels. The first day she tried it she made $17.

Appendicitis has been supposed to be a modern disease, but traces of it have been found in Egyptian mummies.

The highest railroad in the world is the Oroyo, from Callao, Peru, to the gold fields. It tunnels the Andes at an altitude of 15,645 feet.

Hospitals were founded in very early times. India, Persia and Arabia had hospitals supported by their kings and rulers before the Christian era.

According to the latest census China has a population of 426,847,000. Thus the Chinese empire contains more than a quarter of the inhabitants of the globe.

Evaporation of the Dead sea is so great that it sensibly exceeds the influx of river water, including that of the Jordan. The sea, therefore, is slowly drying up.

The question has been raised whether or not the drinking of water from glass bottles may be the cause of appendicitis. It is asserted there is a slight dissolution of the glass.

Careful tests at Cornell university demonstrated that a one horsepower engine working continuously for one hour could produce only enough liquid air, when converted into power, to run a one horsepower engine one minute.

An attempt is being made to uncover the treasure from the bottom of Lake Guatavita, in Colombia, sunk by Indian sun worshipers before the conquest by the Spaniards. One Frenchman estimates that its value will amount to over $5,000,000,000.

Visitors to the ruins of St. Pierre have observed the following surprising effect of the recent eruption: While some parts of the walls and other remains of masonry still stand, nothing remains of metallic constructions but an impalpable powder.

For years past the Swiss peasants have had almost a monopoly in the making of certain toys. Now in the vast woods of northern New England the factories will turn out in one day more toys than fifty households in the Tyrol could produce in a week.

The western genius who discovered that there is a market for canned jack rabbit has probably sounded the death knell of the long legged creature of the prairie. The first canning factory has been established at Echo, Ore., and thousands of jack rabbits are slaughtered in that vicinity every month.

The chunchus bandits of Manchuria are not a distinct race of semisavage people, as is commonly thought. They are only common, everyday Chinese or Manchoos. So numerous are these banditti and in some districts so perfect is their organization that they have constructed fortified encampments.

The number of fellow creatures, young and old, who feel impelled to gnaw something is much larger than is generally supposed. The chronic nail biter is well known, but there are others who either through depraved taste or psychic disease gnaw wood, fur, cloth, etc., to the great detriment of their health.

English rabbit skins are now shipped to the United States direct instead of being sent to the continent of Europe, where formerly the long hairs used in the manufacture of felt hats were pulled by cheap hand labor before going to the United States, the American unhairing or pulling machine having proved to be a success.

That a person who has been often stung by bees becomes in time immune to the poison of the sting is asserted by Dr. H. F. Parker. He reports that when he first began to keep bees he was frequently stung and that each sting was attended with acute pain, but that as time went on the pain and swelling became less.

To aid the ordinary gas and electric lamps, which are insufficient in foggy weather, there are now kept in reserve in Westminster, London, special lamps that are distributed in frequented streets when they are needed. They consist essentially of a large round reservoir that may contain about twenty-five gallons of gasoline, in which the air is compressed.

The Italian postal authorities have examined a scheme submitted by an engineer for the establishment of an electric postal service. It is proposed to transmit letters in aluminium boxes, traveling along overhead wires at the rate of 600 kilometers an hour. A letter could thus be sent from Rome to Naples in twenty-five minutes and from Rome to Paris in five hours.

Reports from the Discovery, which has been exploring the antarctic regions, give interesting particulars as to the appetites which come to the half frozen men on long sledge expeditions. Hunger proved a dreadful nightmare. Some of the men having horrible visions of tempting dishes. It is questionable if anything could compare to the way of hardships suffered with this form of modified starvation on such trips.

### Suicide Prevented.

The startling announcement that a preventative of suicide had been discovered will interest many. A run down system, or despondency invariably precedes suicide and something has been found that will prevent that condition which means suicide finally. At the first thought of self destruction take Electric Bitters. It brings a great tonic and nerve vitalizer, and acts surely and quickly. It's only a 50 cent bottle, but cures dollars worth of ills. Guaranteed by F. S. Duffy, druggist.


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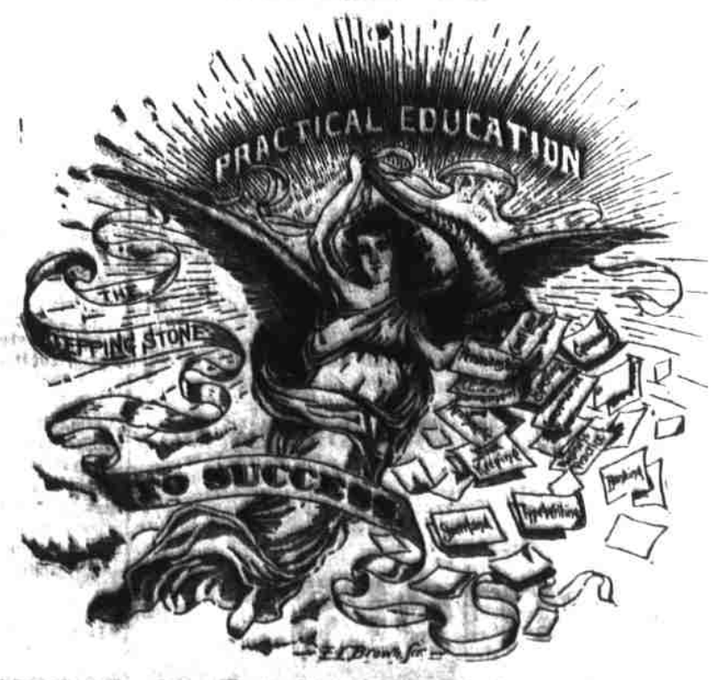


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